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THE CONVENTION.

The people of Georgia, to whom the legislature submitted the question of "convention" or "no convention," have determined by an unmistakable majority to call a convention. The majority, as we estimate it, will not be less than ten thousand, and this, taking into consideration the small vote cast, is quite a large majority. The convention will assemble on the second Wednesday in July, for the purpose, as the act sets forth, of revising the constitution of Georgia. The time will soon be here, and it is the duty of delegates to studiously prepare themselves for the work before them. The people who have elected them expect much in return for the responsible honors which have been conferred. Many of these delegates have placed themselves on record, as far as promises place men upon record, and it is to be hoped that they will faithfully fulfill the pledges made.

It is neither an easy nor a desirable task, in the middle of July, to revise or remodel the organic law of a state—to tackle, when the thermometer stands at one hundred degrees in the shade, the various and multifarious issues that have been born of the discussions incident to the recent campaign. For the good of the commonwealth, it is to be hoped that all partisanship—all prejudice—all strife—all envy, and all meanness—will be left behind when the delegates assemble, and that each and all of them will address themselves to the responsible task of framing an organic law that will bring prosperity and happiness to the people of Georgia. If they do not do this, we promise, so far as we are concerned, to be by no means considerate in their criticisms.

BROTHER FREELAND, of Brooklyn, who so strongly invited an indictment for perjury in his testimony during the Beecher trial, has been requested to resign his position as collector. The Beecher brethren were exceedingly active in his behalf, and Plymouth church yearned to have him retained, but all to no purpose. Brother Freeland will probably have to walk the plank.

The Warrenton Clipper makes this well-considered remark: "While we are making mention of things which we are willing to swear to if called on, we may add that THE ATLANTA CONSTITUTION is the best daily south of Louisville. Further north than Louisville the thermometer falls so low we do not like to risk our judgment lest it be dipped by some untimely frost."

We are of the opinion that the result of the convention election in Atlanta has rather disappointed some-gone natured people and this notwithstanding the fact that the negroes crowded to the polls and voted almost solidly against a convention.

DR. FR. ST. THOMAS county, has shipped eighteen bushels of cucumbers to the north this season. The early vegetable business in Southern Georgia will finally develop into something substantial and profitable.

ONE dispatch says the Russians have suffered a heavy loss in their attempts to storm Kars, while another says the loss has been on the side of the Turks.

COLONEL JONES will now have ample opportunity to discuss the changes in the new constitution.

THE newspapers are raking up Sherman's financial record. Tapeworm John seems to squint two ways.

WILL THE NEW YORK Herald kindly furnish us with a recipe for fresh oysters in July and August?

SECRETARY SHERMAN is terribly troubled over the silver dollar.

THE Russians seem to be in no haste to cross the Danube.

A WRECKER'S DEED.

A Western Train Thrown off the Track—A Bridge Shown Over-ruled Killed and Wounded.

INDIANAPOLIS, June 14.—A train on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad, due here late last night, was wrecked a short distance east of the city, the switch being changed and a cross-tie wedged between the rails.

ERNEST B. COLE, postal clerk, is the only person seriously hurt, by a number received slight injuries. Every effort will be made to recover the property lost in the outrage and bring them to justice.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., June 14.—A covered bridge over the Connecticut river, between Northampton and Hadley, was blown away by a hurricane this p. m. An uncompleted bridge of the Massachusetts Central railroad was also demolished. The train was on the bridge when it went over. Mr. Sullivan was instantly killed. Sheriff Enos Cook, of Hadley, was cut badly on the head, and Wm. Smith, of Amherst, shoulder was dislocated. Two horses were taken from the ruins alive. The bridge was eleven hundred and twenty rods long, and was a new one, the result of legal proceedings for the removal of it has been but about fifteen years. There were numerous tobacco sheds blown down by the gale.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 14.—Bliv Conner, who has been confined in Ludlow street jail for several months, pending the result of legal proceedings for his extradition to Massachusetts, on the charge of being one of the gang who gaged and bound the carrier of the National bank of Northampton and robbed the institution, escaped this afternoon. The sheriff's officials express the belief that Conner was provided by some friend or inmate of the prison with keys to the doors leading to the street.

Another Boy Blamed.—DRESDEN, June 14.—The official journal announces the accession of Prince Louis of Hesse to the throne of the Grand Duchy of Hesse, under the title of Louis IV.

THE ROLLING THOUSANDS.

WHO DEMANDS THE GOVERNMENT OF GEORGIA BY GEORGIA.

Reports from Dade Away Down to Camden.

The Majority Already Reached Five Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-seven.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Many of those who were at the reception of the Manhattan club last evening assembled at Fifth Avenue hotel to bid farewell to Governor Hendricks and wife prior to their departure for Europe in the Scythia. Among them were taken ex-Governor Tilden, Lieutenant Governor Dorchester, Augustus Schell, John Jay and wife, S. S. Cox and wife, ex-Governor Calvin, Mayor Wickham, John J. Bradley and Senator Kernan.

On account of the ebb tide in the afternoon the Scythia lay off Bedloe's and the date for the departure was postponed to the morning of the 15th. There was no demonstration on the arrival of the ex-governor and party. When the party reached the hotel, a large bed of roses, on which were the words, "bon voyage," sent by W. A. Van Wyck and Willis S. Paine, was placed in the parlor.

A four o'clock revenue cutter came alongside the Scythia with Collector Arthur and Thomas Murphy, but they were not permitted to board on account of respect and good byes were given, the cutter returned and the Scythia steamed down the bay.

A LADY OPERATOR.

She Pulls the Wool Over the Old Lady's Eyes and Writes a Charming Signature.

NEW YORK, June 14.—A very startling sensation has been developed here. A lady occupying a high social position, Mrs. T. Hawkins by name, as the story is told, within the last few years has made a fortune of \$400,000 on the pretense that she was investing in tobacco speculations. She claimed that Senator Stephenson, George H. Pendleton, and other prominent men were in partnership with her. The mother, believing this, advanced the money. The gentlemen named were not in partnership with her, and the story, so far as they are concerned, is utterly devoid of truth. The lady made attempts to secure cash on notes, but they were not taken. The relatives pronounced Mrs. Taylor deranged. The affair causes considerable excitement.

A GRANDMOTHER'S SISTER.

Father's Failure.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Surrogate Calvin has filed his decision sustaining the will of Mrs. Basilica Schiff, for a long time under the management of her daughter, Mrs. Schiff, who had property in Louisiana, New York and France, valued at half a million dollars, and by her will gave the estate in equal shares to her six children. After the will was drawn, Mrs. Schiff thought her son, Edward, was looking after her estate. He was not, and she had made loans on sufficient securities and caused her great loss. The mother and son had long been at odds, and in 1850 the son having died in the meantime, she made a codicil to her will cutting off her grandson, Edward's son, from any share in her property. The will was left a fortune of \$500,000 in his father.

BUGY'S BREAK.

The Senator Ruined Financially—His Losses All His Property.

ST. LOUIS, June 14.—A dispatch says considerable sensation is among the business community here, in connection with the failure of the insurance company, which made assignment on Tuesday. Joseph Boggy, son of United States Senator Boggy, was president of the company and is a national law so far as the company was the heaviest stockholder. He states that he is a loser to the extent of a hundred thousand dollars in cash, and that the disaster will ruin him financially if his creditors are not indulgent.

JACOB BOSS loses sixty thousand dollars including real estate, and his residence and all his property. Joseph Boggy was also president of the Exchange bank of this city, and today resigned that position. His friends represent the cause of the canal to the whole world, and will try to prevent it from becoming the scene of hostilities by occupying each end with troops, so as to compel the entrance of any Russian ships.

AN INTER-PERLATION.

The Mutton Chop Statement are quite satisfied.

LONDON, June 14.—In the house of commons Sir Stafford Northcote, chancellor of exchequer, in replying to the question, stated that Russia's reply to England's intimation forbidding the exercise of belligerent rights in the Suez canal, was to the effect that Russia would never blockade, interrupt or menace the navigation of the canal in any manner. He added that the reply of the Khedive, in reply to the British communications on the subject had not been received.

THROUGH THE PASS.

The Montenegrins on a Retreat.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 14.—An official telegram, dated June 13th, says that the Montenegrins, after a sanguinary battle, and advancing on Nisic. The Montenegrins are in full retreat. Sulein's action with the other Turkish corps is expected immediately.

LOOKING FOR A SIGN.

At a Sign Has Not Yet Been Given.

LONDON, June 14.—A Times correspondent writes that a personage of high position directly inquired of the Holy how it would look upon a Bonapartist movement in France, in reply to a query as to whether or not a Bonapartist agitation would depend, but the sign has made no sign.

Field Hospitals.

BERLIN, June 14.—The Russians have altogether 20,000 beds to be distributed over Roumania and adjoining districts. This provision for the sick and wounded is thought to be sufficient in all emergencies.

Discussing the Peace Rumors.

CONSTANTINOPLE, June 14.—The Turkish newspapers, in referring to the peace rumors lately current, are strong-advocates of peace, and dismiss the rumors as unworthy of discussion.

The G. and N. B. Fleet.

BRISTOL, June 14.—Three Russian ships, which have been lying in this harbor, sailed to-day. Their destination is unknown.

SWITCHING AROUND KARS.

THE PRELIMINARY MOVEMENTS TO THE SECOND BATTLE OF KARS.

In Which Russia and Turkey Equally Claim the Plumes of Victory.

The Russians Pointing along the Banks of the Danube.

Prince Milan on His Way to Visit Alexander.

ON THE DANUBE.

Several Fights Along the River—Sanctified Pasha Wants Peace—Prince Milan Calling on the Car.

NEW YORK, June 14.—A Reuter from Constantinople, dated 13th, says: Last night a party of Russians opposite Marasine attempted an attack in boats upon the Turkish monitor there, but the help of a 12-inch battery and four mountain guns, have left Delibaba to attack a column of the Russian left before Tapprakah.

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THE FIGHT AT KARS.

Culminating Movement on the Arme Side—Control Story Reports from Kars—The Killed and Wounded.

LONDON, June 14.—Reuter's telegram company have received the following "Constantinople, Wednesday, June 13.—The sultan is staying at the ministry of war awaiting the news from Kars, where a great battle is progressing."

Telegram's Batum dispatches states Russians are pushing siege-works. Reuter's news is greatly needed. Without relief, troops there will be come tired out. Turkish officers are despondent.

KARSOVI, June 14.—The Turks, after occupying Olti, marched in the direction of Ardahan. A Russian detachment has been sent from Ardahan to reinforce the center. Twelve battalions of troops, a field battery and four mountain guns, have left Delibaba to attack a column of the Russian left before Tapprakah.

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THE PENITENT THIEF.

THREE AGENTS OF THE GUARD TO ALL THAT HAS BEEN AL-LEARD AGAINST HIM.

But the Attorney General Refuses to Compromise With Him.

A Weak Old Man Run Down to the Grave.

NEW YORK, June 14.—Attorney General Fairchild has turned over a Tweed statement to John D. Townsend, counsel for Tweed, and it now rests with that gentleman to say what disposition should be made of it. Harry Genet, who was associated with the robber and fled the town between conviction and sentence, has returned to the city and is ready to compromise. It is reported application will be made to the British government for the extradition of Richard B. Connolly, the Glasgow compeller, on the charge of forgery. Notwithstanding the positive statements of morning journals that Attorney General Fairchild had returned the confession of William M. Tweed, and would have no further negotiations with him, Townsend, his counsel, states he received no documents or communication of any kind from the attorney general. On visiting Tweed he found the latter had not received any either. Tweed had read the statements referred to, and supporting his statement had been returned to his counsel, was naturally not in very high spirits. Wheeler H. Peckham, of the counsel for the people, says in a statement, and a letter from the attorney general to Townsend into the hand of one his (Peckham's) clerks about noon yesterday, with instructions to deliver the statement to Townsend personally. The reason why Townsend did not receive the documents yesterday was that the clerk was unable to see him.

The following is the attorney general's letter:

NEW YORK, June 12.—John D. Townsend, Esq., Sir: Herewith I return the statement of the testimony which you assert that William M. Tweed could give if he were released from imprisonment after careful consideration, have come to the conclusion that the testimony which said Tweed could give, as shown by said statement, would not justify his release from custody.

CHARLES S. FAIRCHILD, Attorney General.

Townsend, with Tweed's assent, will give an opinion in the case to the public in a few days.

GIVES UP THE GHOST.

The following letter explains itself: LUDLOW STREET JAIL, June 13.—John D. Townsend—Dear Sir: I wish you to take necessary steps to at once enable me to confer judgment in all cases brought against me by either the city, county or state. My defenses in all these matters have been disclosed by me to the attorney general, personally, in several interviews on his personal assurance to me that if I made such a statement I should be released from imprisonment, and, as you know, also to the press. I have been unable to do so, and save the city unnecessary further expense. Your obedient servant,

WILLIAM M. TWEED.

Tweed is very much depressed in spirits and weakened in health. He denounces what he terms the injustice of the compromise with Sweeney, and declares that the four criminal indictments against the latter would have led to his conviction had he not fled, instead of remaining as Tweed did, to meet the issue. Tweed says that Sweeney's opinion has been as much in the ring frands as himself. Sweeney's settlement is an admission of such complicity, and Tweed thinks he has a right to be as leniently treated.

SCREAMING FOR THE BONDHOLDERS.

A Treasury Movement to Pay Them in Gold Coins.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Mr. French, assistant secretary of the treasury, has given an opinion to Secretary Sherman to the effect that all United States bonds issued since date when silver was demonetized are payable in gold, and not in silver. His opinion has been the approval of Secretary Sherman.

Secretary Sherman says the letter printed this a. m., on the subject of the payment of bonds on gold and silver, by H. F. French, is not to be regarded as the official action of the treasury department, as it was intended only as an expression of the individual views of Mr. French. The secretary has not taken, nor will he take, any action in the matter, as to do so would seem to require the approval of the board of directors of the treasury.

Henry B. Nichols has been commissioned postmaster at Norfolk.

General F. H. Sherman is dead. The commissioners estimate the fractional currency out of circulation from loss or destruction at \$3,000,000. It is believed that Sherman will lose silver currency to this amount.

CAPITAL GATHERINGS.

Lochner's Ch. — The Syndicate, Etc.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Judge Lochner, of Georgia, is quoted in high circles, that he is no candidate himself for the supreme bench, but if any Georgian is appointed he favors Judge Warner, the present chief justice, as the ablest constitutional lawyer in the state.

The syndicate give notice that from date until July 15th, at three o'clock p. m., they will receive subscriptions for a 4 per cent. funded loan at par, and accrued interest in gold coin. The bonds will be ready for delivery July 2nd, proximo.

A complimentary correspondence has passed between Mr. Evans and Caleb Cushing in which Cushing's resignation of the Spanish mission was accepted, to take effect from this date.

To Crush the Moonshiners.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Commissioner Riam has received a letter signed by about fifty prominent citizens of Southwestern Virginia, among whom are two county judges, two district attorneys and other officials asking that a sufficient force be sent to co-operate with them in bringing illicit distillers to justice.

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ABOUT THE FAR HERD.

Dockrey's visit to Mr. Slays—Will meet in the Franks Case.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Gen. B. H. Dockrey, ex-member of congress from North Carolina, who has been in the city several days in consultation with the president and cabinet, had an interview with the postmaster general to-day relative to postal affairs in that state, most satisfactorily.

Special agent J. G. Foster, under instructions from the department of justice, leaves to-night for North Carolina to

